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I am strongly opposed to the currently proposed Microsoft Settlement. Even under legal threat from many fronts, including being found guilty of becoming an illegal monopoly, Microsoft has not yet reformed their behavior. I see no reason to believe that they will ever reform their behavior until either they are forced to by the Government or their fall massively damages many aspects of the IT and home infrastructure of the United States.

Please find a way to make this company stop and pay attention. Rising prices, falling quality, failing security and predatory practices must not be allowed to endanger the progress of technology. The rest of the world is slowly moving away from Microsoft. Will the United States be left behind and wounded? I sincerely hope not.

I, Dana M. Diederich, certify that I am a natural born citizen of the United States.

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